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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

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I hereby certify that this document is being sent via First Class U.S. mail addressed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 23 day of April, 2004.

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of two months from February 29, 2004 to April 30, 2004 within which to respond to the Response to Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application, mailed on December 30, 2003. A check in the amount of \$420.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 04-1420.

Respectfully submitted,

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